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SPORTING

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The Course for this race, sailed last Saturday was from the usual starting line, round the Lyceum Beacon, Cust Rocks Buoy and again round the Lyceum Beacon, leaving all marks to port, 10.00 miles.

The following boats started at 2.30 p.m. in a steady south east wind.

Dione Sir F. H. May scratch.
Kathleen Officers R. E. 5 m. 22 s.
Colleen Mr. S. S. Moore 8 m. 22 s.
Dorothea Mr. C. G. Alabaster 5 m. 42 s.
Bonito Messrs. Denison & Bird 29 m. 7 s.
Halcyon Capt. Johnston 29 m. 7 s.

In the first heat to the Beacon the Kathleen made one tack across to the Kowloon shore, all the others working the Hongkong side. The Dione was not sailing at all in her usual style and was nearly beaten by Kathleen. The Beacon was rounded by Dione about 2 lengths in front of Kathleen with Colleen some 3 minutes after followed by Bonito and Halcyon seven minutes or so later with Dorothea, which had made a bad start, last. In the run down the Dorothea passed Halcyon and cut out Bonito at the mark, but gave up after rounding. Again in the second round Dione failed to show her usual form, only just keeping up with Kathleen. In fact there was very little difference in the times of any of the boats, the small one designers making nearly the same time as the larger boats.

A plain sail in brought the boats to the finishing line at:

Actual time.	Corrected.	Order.	Points.	Total.
Dione 4.36.00	4.36.6	4	3	18
Kathleen 4.36.20	4.29.58	2	5	6
Colleen 4.39.58	4.33.36	3	4	16
Bonito 4.46.25	4.26.13	1	7	21
Halcyon 4.49.03	4.28.55			74
Dorothea gave up				64

Halcyon fouled the Beacon. Bonito won the cup with 21 points in three races, Dione being second with 18.

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Hongkong, February 12, 1913.

G. R.
NOTICE

IT is hereby notified that SEALED TENDERS will be received at the Colonial Secretary's Office until Noon of SATURDAY, the 1st day of March, 1913, for the letting of the OLD POST OFFICE BUILDING from the 1st July, 1913, or so soon thereafter as possession can be given, to the 31st December, 1914, subject to conditions which can be ascertained at this Office.

Each Tender should bear on the cover the words "Tender for Lease of Old Post Office Building" and must be accompanied by a receipt to the effect that the tenderer has deposited in the Colonial Treasury a sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) as a pledge of the bona fides of his offer which sum shall be forfeited to the Crown, if the tenderer refuses to carry out his tender and comply with the conditions above referred to should the tender be accepted.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the highest or any tender.

Forms of tender and further particulars can be obtained from the Director of Public Works.

W. CHATHAM,
Director of Public Works.

Public Works Office,
Hongkong, February 11, 1913.

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A QUANTITY OF VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

A quantity of Toilet and Bar Soap and Toilet Requisites.

Several Bolls of Flannel & Flannellette, and Several thousand Cigarettes and Cigars.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers.

Hongkong, February 8, 1913. 185

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SATURDAY,

the 15th February, 1913, at 11 A.M., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Voeux Road, Corner of Ice House Street.

A MISCELLANEOUS STOCK.

As follows:—
Clocks, Binoculars, Race Glasses, Cameras, Microscopes, Billiard Balls, Prism Binoculars, Rain Coats, Shooting Boots, Drawing Instruments, etc., etc., and 1 "Singer's" Sewing Machine.

Also:
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Hongkong, February 11, 1913. 201

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A CONSIGNMENT OF VALUABLE GOLD AND SILVER JEWELLERY, &c., DIRECT FROM LONDON.

Comprising:—
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Also:
A quantity of Loose Diamonds One Pearl Pin, and a collection of Old War Medals and Foreign Orders.

TERMS:—As usual.

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Hongkong, February 11, 1913. 200

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A LARGE QUANTITY OF VALUABLE TEAKWOOD FURNITURE, &c.,

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Hongkong, February 11, 1913. 199

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NEW MODERN 3-ROOMED FLATS, with two bathrooms, pantry, kitchen and servants' quarters. Bathrooms fitted with English Baths. Kitchen has English Cooking Range and Hot Water Boiler. Electric Light throughout. Ready for occupation about middle March.

Also:
New Five-Roomed Semi-detached and TERRACE HOUSES with Tennis Courts. Possession about middle March.

Apply to
HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE CO., LTD.
Alexander Buildings,
Hongkong, February 11, 1913. 196

TO LET.

GODOWN, No. 145, WANCHAI ROAD.
Apply to
KWONG SANG HONG, LTD.,
248, Des Voeux Road Central (Office),
or 93, Praya East (Warehouse),
Hongkong, February 10, 1913. 189

TO BE SOLD OR LET

(FROM 1ST APRIL).
BISHOP'S LODGE SOUTH, No. 5, Peak, 5 Rooms (unfurnished).
ULBANK, May Road, 8 Rooms (unfurnished).

TO LET—(1st APRIL).

7, MOUNTAIN VIEW, 5 Rooms, (furnished).
DENNIS & BOWLEY,
Hongkong, January 24, 1913. 107

TO LET.

STORE, in the finest position.
Apply at once to
'PROMINENCE,'
c/o 'China Mail' Office.
Hongkong, February 3, 1913. 162

TO LET.

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One-roomed OFFICE. Apply Property Office JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, April 30, 1913. 198

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FURNISHED—Immediate possession
'LYEMUN,' No. 134, BARKEU ROAD, The Peak.
Apply to
GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Duddell Street.
Hongkong, January 15, 1913. 67

TO LET.

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6, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, January 21, 1913. 98

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Kowloon Marine Lot No. 43 with wharf.
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HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE CO., LTD.
Hongkong, June 1, 1912.

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Hongkong, September 2, 1912. 1694

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Hongkong, October 1, 1912. 1259

TO LET.

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TO LET.

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"HARTING and ROGATE," on part of Kowloon Island Lot No. 1114.
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A LARGE QUANTITY OF VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

Comprising:—
Teak Sideboards with Bevelled Mirrors, Dinner Waggon, Extension Dining Tables and Chairs, Overmantels, Tea Tables, etc.

Fine Teak Double and Single Wardrobes, Washstands, Dressing Tables, Toilet Crockery, Single and Double Brass-mounted Iron Bedsteads, Chest-of-Drawers, etc.

Glass and Crockery Ware, Cutlery, etc.; Also
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On View from Wednesday, the 12th Feb. Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS:—Cash on delivery.

GEO. P. LAMMERT, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, February 3, 1913. 176

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from the Hon. F. J. BADDELEY, to sell by Public Auction

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MONDAY,

the 17th February, 1913, commencing at 2.30 P.M., at his residence "ANDREAS," No. 111, The Peak.

A QUANTITY OF HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

And
A large lot of Plants in Pots, including some Fine Palms.

TERMS:—As usual.

On View from Saturday, the 15th Feb. p.m.

Catalogues will be issued.

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TOERANGIE (SUMATRA) RUBBER AND PRODUCE ESTATES, LTD.

The Board's Extension Programme.

(Reprinted from the "Financial Times," January 10, 1913.)

The statutory meeting of the members of the Toerangie (Sumatra) Rubber and Produce Estates, Ltd., was held yesterday at the registered office of the company, 1-4, Great Tower-street, E.C.4, Mr. H. Eric Muller presiding.

Mr. J. M. Kemp, the representative of the Secretaries (Messrs. Harrison and Crossfield, Ltd.), having read the notice convening the meeting and the certificate of the auditors,

The Chairman said: Gentlemen, I must apologise to the Chairman's behalf for his absence to-day, but the business is purely formal. Mr. Croll, another of your directors, is still in the East, and I am acting as alternate for him. With your permission, I will take the report before this meeting as read, and will confine myself to amplifying the prospectus information with some of the later news received by mail and cable from our agents in Sumatra. The transfer of the 155 acres of the rubber area required cleaning up, which work was duly completed, and we are assured that weeding all over the estate is in quite satisfactory order. In regard to extensions, 60 acres of tobacco land which were planted with rubber early in 1912 were planted too late to do well, so they have been replanted later in the year, along with 200 acres of lalang land clearings, making an addition of 200 acres. A further 800 acres of similar land have been selected for opening in 1913, and as the labour force has been augmented by 300 coolies, there should be no difficulty in planting this area up during the current year, at the end of which we should have 2,000 acres planted with Hevea. In the prospectus we estimated to do 500 acres, and the programme that I have outlined shows that we have been able somewhat to accelerate the intended extensions. Rather dry weather has been experienced during 1912, but notwithstanding this, the whole planted area is reported as showing quite satisfactory growth. Additions are necessary to the buildings on the estate—particularly coolie lines—for the augmented labour force, and the manager has been instructed to lay in a good stock of building materials so that erection may be proceeded with as rapidly as possible.

TOBACCO CULTURE.

With regard to tobacco, as mentioned in the prospectus, this 1912 crop suffered somewhat severely from the exceptionally long drought which has adversely affected the quality of this crop. The first shipment of about 150 bales was expected to be made in December. For 1913 an area of 170 fields is to be planted. It was decided to have a careful expert examination of the western part of the concession made, with a view to transferring the tobacco culture to that part, which appeared to offer the most favourable conditions for success, and we have been advised by cable that quite 3,500 acres there are excellent tobacco land, whilst a further 1,000 acres of the native reserves are equally suitable and can probably be included in the area available for planting. We are also assured that if we commence planting the tobacco early in February and finish by the 25th March each year the crop should be harvested before the commencement of the dry wind, which has done considerable damage to the standing tobacco in the past. This section of the property should prove to be very valuable, as the area of land on the east coast of Sumatra suitable for growing tobacco is distinctly limited. We have only just received this report by cable, so naturally it is somewhat early to say on what scale the cultivation of tobacco will be carried out in the future, but the whole question is one which will have the careful consideration of the Board, in consultation with the agents in the East. I think you will agree with me that the information which I have been able to give you to-day indicates that the development of the fine Toerangie concession on well-organised lines has made a satisfactory start, and I am sure that so soon as the improved methods have been in operation for a reasonable time we will all be very pleased with our investment in this company. With those few remarks, gentlemen, I declare the business of this meeting closed, and thank you for your attendance.

The proceedings then terminated.

An unprecedented influx of rice steamers from Saigon and Bangkok has taken place within the last three days, eleven vessels having arrived with an aggregate of 25,000 tons of rice and rice meal from those two ports. The greatest amount comes from Saigon, which exported some 17,000 tons. This large importation it is hoped will have the effect of lowering the price of rice, the over turning question amongst the poorer Chinese.

REHEUMATISM.

It is now well known that not more than 10 per cent. of rheumatism is due to any internal treatment whatever. All that is needed is a few applications of Chamberlain's Pain Balm, and managing the parts at each application. Any doubt as to the quality of the balm, the pain and swelling will be relieved, and the patient will be able to move about freely.

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COMPANY REPORT.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

The ninety-fifth report of the court of directors states:—

Gentlemen.—The directors have now to submit to you a general statement of the affairs of the Bank, and balance sheet for the half-year ending the 31st December, 1915.

The net profits for that period, including £1,960,288.64, balance brought forward on last account, after paying all charges, deducting interest paid and due, and making provision for losses and doubtful accounts, amount to £5,931,435.48.

The directors recommend the transfer of £500,000 from the profit and loss account to the reserve fund, and which will then stand at \$17,200,000.

They also recommend writing off Bank

(of which £250,000 lodged with the Bank of England as a special London reserve).

£238,000 3 per cent exchequer bonds due 1950	285,050
at 83	
\$406,800 other sterling securities, written down to	334,950
	\$1,500,000
	@ 2. 9/
	15,000,000.00
Bills discounted, loans and credits	138,869,948.95
Bills receivable	134,674,964.90
Liabilities of constituents	
acceptances, per contra	10,623,032.00
Bank premises	5,584,638.00
	\$382,247,068.92

After making these transfers and deducting remuneration to directors there remains for appropriation £4,616,435.48, of which the directors recommend the payment of a dividend of two pounds per share, viz., £240,090, and a bonus of £30,000, and a reserve of £30,000, amounting in all to £270,090, which at 2-1/2, the rate of the day, will absorb £5,695,025.13.

The balance, £2,011,410.35, to be carried on new profit and loss account.

Directors.—Mr. F. H. Armstrong has been elected Chairman for the year 1913, and the Honourable Mr. C. H. Ross deputy chairman.

Mr. R. H. Medhurst and Mr. A. Forbes having resigned their seats on leaving the Colony, Mr. S. H. Dodwell and Mr. J. A. Plummer have been invited to fill the vacancies; these appointments require confirmation at this meeting.

Mr. G. Fenealed, Mr. F. A. Siels and Mr. C. S. Gubbay retire in rotation, but, being eligible for re-election, offer themselves accordingly.

Auditors.—The accounts have been audited by Mr. W. Hutton Potts and Mr. W. C. Bonnar, who offer themselves for re-election.

E. SHELLIM,
Chairman.

By balance of undivided

GENERAL PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT,
31st DECEMBER, 1912.

Dr.

To amounts written off :—
Remuneration to directors. 8 15,000.00
To dividend account :—
Dividend £2
per share on
120,000 shares
—£240,090
at 2-1/2 £2,315,577.89
Bonus 5/- per
share on
120,000 shares
—£30,000
at 2-1/2 250,447.24
2,605,025.13

To transfer to silver reserve fund 200,000.00
To transfer to Bank premises account 200,000.00
To balance forward to next half-year 2,011,410.35
£5,031,435.48

Cr.

Hongkong, 11th February, 1913.

ABSTRACT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES,
31st DECEMBER, 1912.

LIABILITIES.

Paid-up capital £15,000,000.00
Sterling reserve fund,
£1,500,000 @ ex 2/- 15,000,000.00
Silver reserve fund 17,000,000.00
Marine insurance account..... 250,000.00

Notes in circulation :—
(A author-
ised issue
against
securities
and coin
deposited
with the
crown
agents for
the colonies
and
their
trustees) £15,000,000 00
Addition,
all issue
author-
ised by
H ong-
kong Or-
dinance
against
coin lodg-
ed with
the Hong-
kong Go-
vernment 9,828,168.00

24,828,168.00

By amount of
net profits for
the months
ending 31st
December,
1912, after mak-
ing provi-
sion for bad
and doubtful
debts, deduct-
ing all ex-
penses and in-
terest paid
and due 3,071,146 84

£5,031,435 68

£5,031,435 48

STERLING RESERVE FUND.

To balance
£1,500,000 @ ex. 2/- £15,000,000.00
(Invested in sterling
securities).

By balance 30th June,
1912, £1,500,000 @ ex. 2/- £15,000,000.00

£15,000,000.00

SILVER RESERVE FUND.

To balance £17,200,000.00

17,200,000.00

By balance 30th June, 1912 £17,000,000.00
By transfer from profit and
loss account..... 200,000.00

£17,200,000.00

N. J. STARR, Chief Manager.
Clerk H. Davis, Acting Chief Accountant.

Current accounts :—		
Silver	\$121,122,489 47	
Gold	12,508,686	
448.8s. 1d.—	14,838,417 78	
		175,960,907 25
Fixed deposits :—		
Silver	\$70,409,214 49	
Gold	24,361	
482 17s.	405 13	
3d.—	42,075,405 13	
		112,494,619 62
Bills payable (including draftson London bankers call loans and short sight drawings on London office against bills, receivable and bullion shipments)		9,010,888 41
Acceptances on account of constituents		10,683,082 06
Profit and loss account		5,031,435 48
Liability on bills of exchange re-discounted		
\$2,253,783 s. 4d., of which £7,567,735 2s. 2d. have since run off.		
	\$382,347,008 82	
ASSETS.		
Cash	\$41,960,200 53	
Coin lodged with the Hongkong Government against authorized and/or excess note circulation		16,000,000 00
Bullion in hand and in Indian Government's paper		5,168,592 90
Colonial and other securities		1,493,020 23
Sterling reserve fund investments, viz—		11,015,465 28
21,330,000 5s. 9s. 6d. per cent. Consols		
at 78	\$200,000	

HONGKONG AVERAGE MARKET PRICES.			肉 食	
Corrected to Thursday, February, 6th, 1913. At 100 cents per Dollar Standard.				
Butcher Meat.				
Beef Sirloin & Prime Cut—Mai Lung Pa	..	18	屠 猪 肉	18
.. Corned—Ham Ngau Yuk	..	18	鹹 肉	18
.. Roast—Shiu ..	..	18	燒 肉	18
.. Breast—Ngau Lam ..	..	12	牛 腩	12
.. Soup—Tung Yuk ..	..	15	牛 肚	15
.. Steak—Ngau Yuk Pa ..	..	18	牛 柳	18
.. Sirloin Coton—Ngau Lau ..	..	28	牛 腩	28
.. Sausages—Ngau Chung ..	..	20	牛 腸	20
Bullock's Brains—.. Know .. per set	9		牛 腦	9
.. Tongue fresh—Ngau Li ..	each	40	牛 舌	40
.. .. corned—Ham Ngau L ..	..	60	鹹 牛 舌	60
.. Head—Ngau Tan ..	..	12	牛 心	12
.. Heart—Ngau Sum ..	..	15	牛 肝	15
.. Hump, Salt—Ngau Kin ..	..	15	牛 腰	15
.. Feet—Ngau Kark ..	each	8	牛 蹄	8
.. Kidneys—Ngau Yiu ..	..	18	牛 腎	18
.. Tail—Ngau Mei ..	..	17	牛 尾	17
.. Liver—Ngau Kon ..	..	17	牛 肝	17
.. Tripe (undressed)—Ngau To ..	..	6	牛 肚	6
Calve Head & Feet—Ngau-chai-tau-kark ..	set	21	牛 仔 頭	21
Mutton Chop—Yeung Pui Kwat ..	..	25	羊 排	25
.. Leg—Yeung Pui ..	..	25	羊 腿	25
.. Shoulder—Yeung Shau ..	..	22	羊 肩	22
Pigs Chittlings—Chu Chung ..	..	24	豬 雜	24
.. Brains—Chu Know ..	per set	22	豬 腦	22
.. Feet—Chu Kark ..	..	12	豬 蹄	12
.. Chu Chaz ..	..	30	豬 肚	30
.. Head—Chu Tan ..	..	17	豬 頭	17
.. Heart—Chu Sum ..	each	10	豬 心	10
.. Kidneys—Chu Yiu ..	..	8	豬 腎	8
.. Liver—Chu Con ..	..	10	豬 肝	10
Pork Chop—Chu Pui Kwat ..	..	24	豬 排	24
.. Corned—Ham Chu Yuk ..	..	..	鹹 豬 肉	..
.. Leg—Chu Pui ..	..	25	豬 腿	25
.. Fat or Lard—Chu Yau ..	..	22	豬 油	22
Sheep's Head and Feet—Yeung Tau Kark ..	set	65	羊 頭	65
.. Heart—Yeung Sum ..	each	7	羊 心	7
.. Kidneys—Yeung Yiu ..	..	9	羊 腎	9
.. Liver—Yeung Con ..	..	15	羊 肝	15
Sucking Pigs To Order—Chu Chai ..	..	22	羊 仔	22
Suet, Beef—Sang Ngau Yau ..	..	13	生 油	13
.. Mutton—Sang Yeung Yau ..	..	25	生 油	25
Veal—Ngau Chai Yuk ..	..	18	牛 仔	18
.. Sausage—Ngau Chai Chung ..	..	..	牛 仔	..
Poultry.			生 口	
Chicken—Kai Chai ..	..	32	雞 仔	32
Capons, Large, mall—Sin Kai ..	..	32	鴨 仔	32
Ducks—Ap ..	..	25	鴨 蛋	25
Doves—Pan Kan ..	..	20	鴨 蛋	20
Eggs, Hen—Kai Tan ..	per doz	24	鴨 蛋	24
Fowls, Canton—Kai ..	..	16	鴨 蛋	16
.. Hainan—Hoi Nam ..	..	32	鴨 蛋	32
Geese—Ngau Kai ..	..	25	鴨 蛋	25
Geece, Wild/Shai—Shang-he Yea Ngai ..	pair	30.60	鴨 蛋	30.60
Musk Deer—Wong Keng ..	each	60	鴨 蛋	60
Hare, Shanghai—Tu Chai ..	..	..	鴨 蛋	..
Partridge—Che Khoo ..	..	55	鴨 蛋	55
Pheasant—Shan Kai ..	pair	31.45	鴨 蛋	31.45
Pigeons, Canton—Pak Kip ..	each	36	鴨 蛋	36
.. Hoibow—Hoi How Pak Kip ..	..	33	鴨 蛋	33
Quail—Om-Chun ..	..	20	鴨 蛋	20
Rice Birds—Wo Fa Cheur ..	dozen	..	鴨 蛋	..
Snipe—Sa Choy ..	each	24	鴨 蛋	24
Wewey's Cook—Phor Kai Kung ..	lb.	65	鴨 蛋	65
.. Men ..	Na	15	鴨 蛋	15
Wild Ducks, Shai—Shang-hoi Sui Ap ..	..	12.25	鴨 蛋	12.25
Teal—Sui Ap Chai ..	..	50	鴨 蛋	50
Wild Ducks Canton—Sang-Shing Sui Ap ..	..	20	鴨 蛋	20
Fish.			海 貨	
Barbel—Ka Yu ..	..	..	加 魚	..
Bream—Bin Yu ..	..	18	鮑 魚	18
Canton Fresh Water Fish—Hoi Sin Yu ..	..	16	鮮 魚	16
Carp—Li Yu ..	..	18	鮮 魚	18
Catfish—Chik Yu ..	..	18	鮮 魚	18
Coddish—Mau Yu ..	..	16	鮮 魚	16
Crabs—Ha ..	..	0	鮮 魚	0
Cuttle Fish—Muk Yu ..	..	16	鮮 魚	16
Lab—Sa Mang Yu	15	鮮 魚	15
Dace—Wong Mei Lun	11	鮮 魚	11
Dog Fish—Tui Yu	8	鮮 魚	8
Eels, Conger—Hoi Mann ..				

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PICTURES ONLY 7.15 P.M.

CHINA OF TO-DAY.

TO-DAY, on the first anniversary of the abdication of the Manchu Dynasty, it is particularly expedient to reflect upon the present condition of China, after fully a year's experience of Republicanism. Is China, so far as the position and prospects of the country generally are concerned, better or worse than she was in the bad old days of Manchu autocracy—those days immediately preceding the Dynasty's dramatic downfall? Surely it may be said that she is in a better condition. She is free of a tyranny that had long been a curse to her progress, and which, as a matter of fact, was falling to pieces by the inherent decay that had long been generating within it; she has set up a form of government which, while it may not appeal so naturally to a nation used for centuries to an extreme form of monarchy, it cannot but appeal to them on account of its advantages in these democratic days. And as the youngest Republic, what has been done towards guiding the masses towards a higher plane of civilization? "Precious little," we are disposed to say; adding at once, however, that it must be borne in mind that great changes cannot be effected—especially in the Far East—as quickly as the young Revolutionists had predicted. And what has been done cannot really be said to have been done as effectively as it might. Those in authority deserve every praise, no doubt, for having kept the country free from internal strife and, for having disbanded—expeditiously and satisfactorily—the thousands of soldiers—many of whom it was difficult to distinguish from robbers—who were fast becoming a menace to order and good-government. These are real benefits those in authority conferred upon their countrymen, and for them they deserve unstinted credit. In judiciously appointing several Foreign Advisers, they also adopted a wise course, the wisdom of which time will yet reveal, doubtless, in fuller measure than it has yet done. The blot in the Government's proceedings of the first year's Republicanism has been the bungling over the loans negotiated on behalf of the country. The Government neither wanted a rupture with the Six Nations' Loan Group nor did they want to accept the terms upon which the loan could only be given. Several courses were open to them regarding which a much more speedy and perhaps a more effective settlement might have been reached than those which Mr. Tang Shao Yi and Dr. Morrison presumably set in motion. The former's Belgian Loan was the first step that led to the disorder and the latter's negotiations with Mr. Birch Crisp did not ultimately realize expectations. It is satisfactory to know that this vexed question is on a more amicable basis and that the Republic is likely to deserve to have some good of it soon. In other respects, China since the abdication has changed little—but, if in any way, it may be safely stated that it has been in the right direction.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

The Portuguese cruiser "Adamastor" arrived in the harbour yesterday.

The cargo of the Loongang on her last trip from Manila included 731,000 cigars and 139 bales of manufactured tobacco from Manila.

A duck farmer in the new territory has told the police that while on his way from Sham Shui to San Tin he was stopped by two Indians who robbed him of \$5.

The coxswain of the steam launch "Wa Hing" running between Hongkong and Yau-mat reports to the police that while crossing the harbour, and when about half-way, a Chinese boy aged 12, who was a passenger, fell overboard. He was picked up by the coxswain of the steam launch belonging to the Lee House Company, and handed over to his parents, apparently none the worse for his immersion.

SAFE COUGH MEDICINE.

MOTHERS everywhere are objecting to giving their children medicines that contain opiates and for this reason Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has become a general favorite. This remedy contains absolutely nothing injurious and for the prompt relief of coughs, colds, croup and whooping cough, it has no equal. For sale by all Chemists and Druggists.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

On the back page of this issue will be found some interesting news items.

A letter has been received at the "China Mail" office addressed to "N and A."

The crew of H.M.S. Monmouth will give a concert at the Seamen's Institute on Monday evening. An excellent programme is promised.

A fire broke out at 8.30 last evening in a dwelling house at the rear of Eastern Street. The brigade were quickly on the spot and got the fire under before much damage was done.

The Philippine Legislature last week authorized the holding of a second Philippine Exposition and voted P100,000 for the expense. The Exposition will probably be held early next year.

A remand until Monday was ordered by Mr. Melbourne at the Magistrate's today in the case of two men who are charged by Inspector Cameron with armed robbery at 164, Canton Road.

We understand that there are about one hundred and fifty cases of illicit cracker firing down for hearing at the Magistrate on Friday in connection with the Chinese New Year festivities.

The report of the last meeting, held on Jan. 9th last, of the Tseung Kwan O (Samaru) Rubber and Produce Estates, Ltd. (which company was originally started in Hongkong) will be found on page 3.

At the Marine Court today before Commander Basil Taylor, R.N., the master of a trading junk was charged with failing to exhibit the regulation lights on his boat. P. C. Dye proved the case, and the defendant was fined \$5.

The U.S.S. "Wilmington," which has been lying at Hongkong Docks for some considerable time, is, we hear, to be fitted with new boilers of American make. They are now, we understand, on the way from the United States.

At the Magistrate's today before Mr. Melbourne Mr. R. O. Hutchison made an application for the forfeiture to the Crown of 500 ounces of cocaine seized at Holt's Wharf. Revenue Officer Wilden gave evidence in support of the application, which was granted.

We are asked to state that there are still a few tickets left over in connection with the farewell entertainment to-night in the Theatre of the officers and men of the "Taingau." Those desirous of being present, and who have not received tickets, should apply for them at the box office this evening.

The s.s. "Tungus," which arrived yesterday afternoon from Saigon, reports picking up four Annamites off the coast not far from Cape Padaran. Their boat had capsized and the men were in a destitute condition when rescued and nearly starving. The "Tungus" leaves again for Saigon in a day or two and will take back the men to that port.

A Chinese clerk employed at the Central Police Station, who lives in Squaire Street, reported to the police at four o'clock this morning that a number of robbers entered the second floor of the house. Police and detectives were sent out, and two men were arrested in the house. Other men were afterwards arrested in connection with the affair. Jewellery and money, had been taken.

A fire broke out in the roof of a building at Des Voeux Road West, near Eastern Street, about 8.30 p.m. last night. The outbreak was caused by a heating apparatus setting fire to some palm leaves used for covering fish. The fire burned furiously, and it was fortunate that the whole roof was not burnt off. The Fire Brigade turned out, and extinguished the flames after about an hour's blaze.

Inspector Dymond of the Hongkong Police, who has been in charge of No. 7 Police Station, and has performed splendid service in the Chinese quarter of the Colony, has been awarded the medal for long and meritorious service. Mr. Dymond has served as a police officer for twenty-three years, the first four of which were spent in the Metropolitan Police Force. He has been for twenty years in Hongkong.

An Indian police sergeant in plain clothes yesterday arrested a woman for dumping rubbish in the streets. After he had arrested the woman he was interfered with by a student from Canton, who attempted to rescue her from custody. The woman was fined \$7 on 14 days for throwing the rubbish in the street, and the student was ordered to pay a fine of \$35 of one month's imprisonment for obstructing the police.

The latest Army health returns show that Hongkong is improving so far as the health of the troops stationed here is concerned. There has been a substantial reduction in the cases of malaria, and enteric fever is almost non-existent. Not a trace of this is due to the anti-malarial campaign which is being carried on. The prevailing disease seems to be malaria, of which there were 232 cases, and some minor ailments.

The had weather and heavy gale which prevailed yesterday was responsible for a good deal of damage to the local fishing junks. Several had to slip their trawls, three of which were picked up at Waglan Light House. Two boats were capsized and abandoned, the crews being rescued by their comrades. It has been blowing so hard out side, with such a high sea running, that one steamer took over six hours to do the distance of 30 miles between Hongkong and Gap Road.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY'S MEETING.

There will be a meeting of the Legislative Council on Thursday, when the following business will come before the members:—1. Financial Minutes. 2. Resolutions under the Opium Ordinance, 1909. 1911.—(a.) Prohibiting the importation of raw Turkish Opium. (b.) Permitting transshipment in Hongkong of raw Indian Opium exported from China by the Chinese Maritime Customs. 3. Companies Winding-up Rules.

The Orders of the Day include the first readings of a Bill entitled—An Ordinance to amend the Opium Ordinance, 1909; an Ordinance to amend the Magistrates Ordinance, 1900; an Ordinance to consolidate and amend the law relating to the powers of arrest of Revenue Officers; an Ordinance to amend the Mercantile Bank Note Issue Ordinance, 1911; an Ordinance to amend the Vagrancy Ordinance, 1897; an Ordinance to amend the Summary Offences Ordinance 1905.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. K. Doi, of the Toya Kisen Kaisha, has been transferred to Japan.

Ladies of Colombo presented Lady McCallum on her departure from Ceylon with an ivory casket and string of pearls with pendant. Sir Henry and Lady McCallum proceed first of all to Ceylon, near Hyderabad, until the winter is over in England.

The Bishop of Victoria, accompanied by the Rev. A. D. Stewart, M.A., has gone on a short tour in the Delta and West River District. He proposes to visit the Anglican Churches at Shek Kei, Kong-moon, Tai Leung, Shui Bing and other missionary stations and to return to the Colony at the end of next week.

Sir Ian Hamilton, Inspector General of the Overseas Forces, attended a grand ceremonial parade of the Egyptian and Sudanese troops at Cairo, on the occasion of the anniversary of the accession of the Khedive. Sir Ian Hamilton was afterwards present at the State garden party at the Palace.

Gen. Thomas H. Hubbard, who has been both Chairman of the Board and President of the International Banking Corporation, has been relieved at his own request of part of his duties. Mr. H. T. S. Green, who became manager in 1906 and general manager in 1910, has been elected president and chairman. At the annual meeting of the stockholders Frank P. Frazier, Minor C. Keith, William Barclay Parsons, and J. G. White were elected directors, succeeding J. S. Fearon, H. C. Pierce, and H. S. Manning.

RATTAN WORKER'S CLAIM.

In the Summary Court this afternoon S. Greenfield, 2, Pedder Street, rattan furniture manufacturer, was sued by Tang Yat Hing, chairmaker, of 82, Wai-ai Road, to recover \$11.50 for work done in the manufacture of rattan chairs for the defendant. Defendant counter-claimed for \$21.28, being \$30 balance of money advanced by him to the defendant, and \$12.28 for food supplied to him at his request at the rate of 0.8 cents per day.

Mr. F. X. D'Almeida appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. J. H. Gardiner for the defendant.

Mr. D'Almeida said he was admitted by defendant that plaintiff was entitled to \$11.50. Plaintiff said he asked defendant for the money due to him but was refused it, defendant saying that he was afraid he would gamble with it. He never borrowed from defendant, who "dismissed" him. In cross-examination he denied that he obtained a loan from defendant in February or March last, telling him that he had been approached by another manufacturer to work for him.

Defendant, the owner of a rattan factory at Shaikwan, and employing from 100 to 200 men, said plaintiff had been in his service for ten years as a piece worker and was paid monthly. By courtesy the men were given an advance on the 15th of each month, but as they gambled with it this practice was discontinued. On December 15 the men threatened to strike if the advance was not made but witness told them they could do what they liked and reminded them that they were in his debt. In the previous Chinese New Year all the men demanded advances and as the small shops were gradually buying his men away by making loans he had to agree. Defendant was advanced \$10 and still owed \$30. Defendant left with thirty-three other men and had never asked for his wages.

Defendant's Chinese foreman corroborated this evidence.

His Lordship gave judgment for defendant on both the claim and counter-claim.

The had weather and heavy gale which prevailed yesterday was responsible for a good deal of damage to the local fishing junks. Several had to slip their trawls, three of which were picked up at Waglan Light House. Two boats were capsized and abandoned, the crews being rescued by their comrades. It has been blowing so hard out side, with such a high sea running, that one steamer took over six hours to do the distance of 30 miles between Hongkong and Gap Road.

TRAINING NOTES.

The course was dry this morning and on the fast side, but the surface was considerably cut up before the morning's work had ended. The first three gallops were done on the sand, the grass course then not having been opened. Durbar Chief went a slow mile on the inside track, but finished very strong in 31.2. Royal Rose went a slow mile and a quarter, not ridden out. Perpetual Motion has gone lame again, his fast last quarter on Tuesday was evidently too much for him. Parovius was very "beany" and went off at a great pace. He covered a mile in 2.13.4. Sandringham did a good gallop in nice style over a mile and a quarter in 2.52.2. The quarters were 36, 38, 34.3, 34.2, 31.1. Barford's time was also nearly as good, but the finish. He was beaten by Sunlight by half a length. White Hawthorn is still improving, but is nowhere near his last year's form yet.

Maharatta Chief went easy over a mile in nice style. If he can stand the hard work next week and his leg does not give out after the first hot finish, he will stand a good chance of winning one of the minor races. Fijian Chief went a very nice mile and a half, 39, 35, 36, 36, 34.2, 31.3. He is still considered by many as the best griffin, if not the best pony, on the course this year. Borneo Chief went a slow mile, but put in a very hot finish, 31. Sweet William also came home strong, 32, at the end of a mile gallop, 2.10.2. Sweet Pus negotiated the same distance in 2.16.2, but did not pass the winning post in the same style as his stable companion. Sweet Sultan and Sweet Rocket together covered a very fast mile and a quarter, the former winning the pot in 2.48.2. But the last quarter was bad, 33.4 and 34.4 respectively. Both appeared tired at the end of their desperate effort. Alvand went the full mile and a half, in 3.34.3, last quarter, 34.4. He also finished tired. Sunlight beat Barford over a mile and a quarter 2.53.1, apparently without very much effort on his part.

Donald Dhu was galloped on the sand, a slow mile, 2.26, last 1.06, last 1.06 and 32. Silverton showed he could not stay a mile and a half, his stable companion Sevington leaving him lengths behind down the home straight. Flirt went nicely. This pony is improving every gallop. Edgell covered a mile and a quarter in 3 minutes dead, but took 36 for last quarter. Taffy showed he can finish game, 31.2. Gold and Silver were galloped early on the sand, Silver took 36 for last quarter. Taffy showed he whole mile was good, 2.18 and 2.19 respectively, but the last quarter still took them 37 and 38 seconds.

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(By an Expert at Signing Them.)

There's a very useful custom in the cities of the East.

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By a very simple system, known as "chits."

At Home, if you've no money, you will generally find That no one gives you credit—not a bit;

But things you want, in China, you can have when you have signed

A little piece of paper called a "chit."

You needn't carry money in your pocket or your purse, (A fact, and not a weak attempt at wit),

And that is why the system very often proves a curse,

When you sign that bit of paper called a "chit."

You sign a scrap of paper when you give a friend a drink,

—A luncheon or whisky-soda split— The method is so easy that you never stop to think,

But simply put your name upon the chit.

And even in a Church you can't escape for, in the pew,

Where the congregation kneels to pray (or sigh),

Are pencil stumps (they always keep 'em sharp enough to use)

With little printed forms for writing chits!

Your wife may see a costume that she calls "a perfect dream"

And tell you that she dearly longs for it,

But you find the dream's a nightmare, if you fall in with her scheme,

When you sign a small three hundred dollar chit!

There's just one disadvantage of those documents in use;

They may give rise to others, known as "chits."

And the Court will not accept it as an adequate excuse

That you didn't know you'd signed so many chits!

That he might have written verses of more serious affairs,

The author very readily admits; But of one thing he is certain: that he very much prefers

Writing rubbish, such as this, to writing chits!

Hongkong, 11th February.

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JAPAN'S POLITICAL CRISIS.

CABINET RESIGNS.

LONDON, Feb. 12.

The Japanese Cabinet has resigned, and Admiral Yamamoto assumes the Premiership.

AERIAL NAVIGATION.

LONDON, Feb. 12.

The Aerial Navigation Bill has been read a third time in the House of Commons.

FRENCH SUBJECTS IN ADRIANOPLE.

LONDON, Feb. 12.

Reuter's Paris correspondent states that urgent representations have been made to Bulgaria to allow French subjects in Adrianople to leave the city.

MORE "CONVERSATIONS."

LONDON, Feb. 12.

A telegram from Constantinople says that Haki Pasha visited the British Ambassador previous to his departure for Vienna. He will break his journey at Vienna to call upon Count Berchtold.

There have been conversations between Tewfik Pasha and Sir Edward Grey for some days on the subject of peace but nothing definite has been arranged. It is still felt that no diplomatic development is likely to take place pending a decisive action.

THE MOTOR CAR CASE.

DEFENDANT'S EXPLANATION.

At the Magistrate's this afternoon before Mr. Melbourne, the adjourned case was heard in which a Chinese chauffeur was charged with recklessly driving motor car No. 12 on the Shaikwan Road and knocking down and injuring a man named Francis Powell. The occurrence took place in November last, and the case had been before the Court on several occasions. Mr. Russ, of Messrs. Goldring, Barlow and Morell, appeared for Mr. Powell, the complainant.

Mr. William Gallagher, manager of the Belle Vue Hotel, said on the night of November 14th last, Mr. Powell was in the hotel. He left about a quarter to twelve, and did not appear to be under the influence of drink. Witness next saw him after the accident, when he was taken away in another motor car.

Mr. William Pringle said he was in the Belle Vue Hotel on the night in question. He left complainant about 12 o'clock and he was then sober. Witness had been with him for an hour and a half. Witness did not see him again until the previous Saturday in the Government Civil Hospital. Defendant asserted that the complainant was drunk.

P. C. Gordon deposed to receiving a telephone message from the Military Medical Officer on Nov. 15th to the effect that complainant had met with an accident and was in the Inspection Room. Witness went and removed him to the Belle Vue Civil Hospital. He spoke to Mr. Powell, but got no answer. The man had been unconscious, but witness could not say if it was from drink or anything else.

Defendant said he was driving a car from Quarry Bay towards Hongkong. When his car passed the Belle Vue Hotel he saw a number of Europeans standing by the side of the hotel. He blew his horn as soon as he observed the Europeans, but one of them in the crowd rushed out into the middle of the road and stretched out his arms and tried to stop the car. He slowed the car at once, and got out to look round, as the car had hit the man. It was a sudden that he had no chance of slowing the car before it hit him. A number of Europeans came to attack defendant, so he had to jump on the car and drive away.

In reply to the Magistrate, defendant said that no one was in his car. He had four head-lights burning. The car was going at fifteen miles an hour, but he could have stopped in about one foot. He denied that he was going at thirty miles an hour; his car could not do that. The most he could do was twenty miles. The complainant was not dragged along the road for fifteen feet.

Inspector McCarthy said if the complainant had been carried that far, he would not be here now.

Defendant said the man was not carried more than two feet. The car was a twenty h.p. one, with six cylinders.

Answering Mr. Melbourne, defendant said he did not report the matter to the police. The police came after him so quickly that he had no time to report it.

Replying to Mr. Russ, defendant said he thought the complainant was drunk. If he had not been, he would not have rushed out. They were all drunk.

Mr. Russell said it was a case of reckless driving, he thought. It was this one. He thought that the evidence showed it. The defendant was going so fast that he could not pull up, and yet he could do enough to say that they were all drunk. All the witnesses had said at the complaint was not drunk.

Mr. Melbourne, after reviewing the evidence, discharged the defendant.

Mr. W. J. Callahan, United States Minister in Peking, 14, on his way home on leave via Sum. It is stated that he may not return to the Chinese capital. Mr. Williams has been appointed Charge d'Affaires.

BY TELEGRAPH. BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

THE ILL-FATED EXPEDITION.

Capt. Scott's Last Message.

PREMIER'S SPEECH.

"PERISHED FROM STARVATION."

LONDON, Feb. 10.

"The victory and death" of Captain Scott and his companions is the theme of editorials in most newspapers, which, in the absence of details of the calamity, publish pages of obituaries, articles and pictures of the expedition, and interviews with members of former expeditions, who express the opinion that the party, cutting it fine in the matter of food in order to make the dash to the Pole, probably perished from starvation.

EXPERTS' VIEWS.

Sir Ernest Shackleton and Captain Amundson, interviewed at New York, said they were shocked beyond expression at the report, and said that they did not believe that the blizzard was solely accountable for their deaths.

Captain Peary has offered his deepest sympathy to the relatives of the deceased men and to the entire British nation at the unexpected catastrophe.

THE VICTIMS.

The notices in the papers regarding the victims state:

Dr. Wilson was the chief scientist of the expedition.

Captain Oates, of the Inniskilling Dragoons, was selected to take charge of the ponies on account of his experience in India and Tibet. He was mentioned in despatches in South Africa.

Lieut. Bowers, of the Indian Marine, had charge of the commissariat.

Petty Officer Evans was in charge of the sledges and equipment.

VALEDICTORY SPEECH.

The meeting of the Royal Geographical Society was adjourned after a speech by the Chairman, Mr. D. W. Freshfield, bidding farewell to the band of heroes whose names would shine as an example of the endurance qualities of Englishmen.

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Austen Chamberlain asked whether the Prime Minister had seen Captain Scott's last message to his country, and whether the Government would give favourable consideration to the appeal made by him on behalf of the dependants of those who, in Captain Scott's own words "have given their lives to this enterprise which is for the honour of their country."

Mr. Asquith said "We are all at this moment under a deep impression made by reading Captain Scott's last message, which is one of the most moving and pathetic utterances in the annals of discovery of a brave and enduring man face to face with a tragic end to a career of self-devoted service. We can only say that the appeal will not fall on deaf ears."

THE ADMIRALTY'S SYMPATHY.

The Admiralty has issued a statement expressing profound regret at the death of Captain Scott and his comrades. The statement adds that the circumstances under which they lost their lives prove constancy and resolution in carrying out the duty for which they volunteered. Their Lordships consider that their loss should be regarded as though they had been killed in action, and added that their story will long be remembered with honour by the Navy.

SYMPATHY FROM AMERICA.

President Taft has cabled to King George the condolences of himself and his countrymen.

President Elcor Wilson has also cabled to the King, his heartfelt sympathy.

DISTINGUISHED SUPPORT.

The Duke of Argyll, Lord Roberts, numerous Admirals, Colonial representatives, scientists, and other distinguished personages have announced that they will give their support to the carrying out of Captain Scott's wish.

MEETING ARRANGED.

Lord Curzon will preside at the meeting of the Royal Geographical Society which is to be held to-morrow for the purpose of giving effect to Captain Scott's last wish, that the dependants of the members of the British Antarctic Expedition who lost their lives should be adequately provided for. Arrangements are being made for a memorial service to be held in St. Paul's Cathedral on Friday.

LATEST DETAILS.

LONDON, Feb. 12.

The Lord Mayor of London is communicating with the authorities with the view to opening a Scott fund. World wide expressions of sympathy have been received from foreign and colonial legislatures.

A STRANE QUESTION.

A SLUR ON F.M.S.

LONDON, Feb. 12.

Mr. Harcourt replying to a question in the House of Commons by Mr. P. A. Molteno, Member for Dumfriesshire, pointed out that the murder of Mr. Oakley occurred in Johore and not in the Federated Malay States. He declined to accept the suggestion that life in the F.M.S. is insecure.

GREAT BRITAIN AND CHINA.

RIVER BOATS TO BE CONSTRUCTED.

LONDON, Feb. 12.

In the House of Commons Mr. Churchill stated that it was proposed to commence the construction of river gunboats for service in China in the next financial year, and that they should be ready for use in China at the end of 1914.

TURCO-BALKAN WAR.

LATEST FROM THE FRONT.

LONDON, Feb. 11.

Hakki Pasha, the former Grand Vizier, left Constantinople on Tuesday, with the intention of proceeding to Vienna, Paris, London, and Berlin on a special mission.

TERRIBLE CASUALTIES.

A telegram from Sofia states that after repelling all the Turkish attacks except those made near Samarra, where the Turks were supported by warships, the Bulgarians retired to fresh positions some six kilometres to the rear. Their losses were insignificant. Fifty Turkish officers and five thousand men were killed and double that number wounded. The Turkish casualties were mainly caused by shell fire. The Bulgarians are now entrenching before Dulair. The Bulgarians also report that they inflicted losses amounting to several thousands upon a force which landed at Charkov.

A TURKISH VICTORY.

Reuter's Constantinople correspondent telegraphs that a message from Adrianople states that the Turks made a sortie on Feb. 9th and captured at the point of the bayonet a Bulgarian position in the Daliden hills, inflicting severe losses. The message adds that our troops at Chatalja joined hands with Papazbourga, and attacked the enemy, who were occupying the heights to the west, capturing the Bulgarians, of whom only ten escaped. Our cavalry occupied Pighada.

JAPANESE POLITICAL CRISIS.

RIOTING IN TOKYO.

LONDON, Feb. 11.

Reuter's correspondent in Tokyo states that the suspension of the Diet in order to prevent the Opposition from moving a vote of censure and the unconstitutional methods of the Government led to serious riots, in which the casualties numbered six dead and seventy injured.

It is expected that the Katsura Cabinet will resign.

The mob attacked newspaper offices, wrecked police stations and burned trams. There was constant fighting with the police, who succeeded in repelling the attack on the Premier's residence.

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(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

THE MEXICAN "COUP."

PRESIDENT IN HIS PALACE.

LONDON, Feb. 12.

The position at Mexico appears to be that Felix Diaz, with artillery, is entrenched at the arsenal.

President Madero has returned to the palace, which is protected by a thousand men and eight guns. It is confidently felt that the revolution will be overcome.

THE BRITISH "TERRITORIALS."

DEBATE IN HOUSE OF LORDS.

LONDON, Feb. 11.

In the House of Lords, Lord Middleton asked: Would the present condition of the Territorials enable them take the field immediately on the despatch of an expeditionary force of 160,000 and guarantee the safety of the country in the event of invasion?

Lord Hershell, replying for the War Office, said that Mr. Asquith some weeks ago at the time the Committee of Imperial Defence was sitting under his chairmanship, decided to reconsider the question. There were now 263,000 men in the force, apart from the National Reserve, and recruiting was buoyant. Moreover, the War Office knew that in the event of war the men who had recently left would rejoin in far greater numbers than were required to raise the force to establishment strength. Arms and equipment were available for the whole number. The Government's answer was that they can now guarantee in any of the present circumstances that the country can be safeguarded against a blow aimed at its heart. To consider any large increase of expenditure solely for Home defence would be a disastrous policy. The whole of the Army Council concurred in that view, which was also strongly held by the General Staff. Nevertheless, the Government was not satisfied and aimed at an establishment of 315,000. They had considered the possibility of utilizing the National Reserve, which was now 190,000 strong, to fill the gaps in the ranks of the Territorials, and to this end they had decided to pay County Associations, in addition to the present shilling, 5/- to each man who was willing to serve for Home defence in a time of grave national emergency, and 10/- to those who were similarly willing to serve anywhere in the world. The men's present obligation refers to a time of great national peril. No money will be paid to the men themselves in time of peace. Lord Hershell concluded with an appeal for voluntary service from every man. Should young men come forward, as was hoped, the Government were prepared to so expand the forces as to find a place for all.

BRITAIN AND JAPAN.

SHIPPING COMPETITION.

LONDON, Feb. 11.

In the House of Commons on Monday Sir John Rees addressed a question calling attention to the subsidised Nippon Yusen Kaisha undercutting British rates between Hongkong, Singapore, Rangoon, and Calcutta, while the British were excluded from the Japanese coasting trade. He asked what immediate action was proposed.

Mr. Acland, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, replied that Japan had been approached with a view to securing a satisfactory arrangement. Proposals for this object were under consideration, and in view of those negotiations immediate retaliatory action excluding Japanese steamers from the Indian coasting trade was not contemplated.

THE "AERIAL" LEGISLATION.

LONDON, Feb. 11.

The House of Commons has read the Aerial Navigation Bill a second time.

Colonel Seely said the Bill was not aimed at any Foreign Power but to prevent mischievous persons flying over places where combustible stores are kept.

THE ROYAL ENGAGEMENT.

LONDON, Feb. 11.

A Berlin telegram states that the engagement of Princess Victoria Louise to Ernst August, Duke of Brunswick-Lüneburg, is officially announced.

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BRITAIN AND GERMANY.

THE NAVAL QUESTION.

LONDON, Feb. 12.

At question time in the House of Commons, Dr. Macnamara, Secretary to the Admiralty, said that Mr. Churchill considered that it would be better to deal with the speech of Admiral Tirpitz when the Naval Estimates were presented, and thus consider the position as a whole. In the meantime he desired to express the general feeling of satisfaction with the tone of the recent German discussion on the naval question.

GREAT BRITAIN, RUSSIA AND TIBET.

LONDON, Feb. 12.

Reuter's St. Petersburg correspondent states that M. Djorjoff's mission is still undefined. All that he is willing to say is that he is charged to ascertain the views of Russia upon certain questions concerning Mongolia and Tibet. The "Novoye Vremya" understands that M. Djorjoff is charged to seek Russia's mediation to effect a reconciliation between Great Britain and Tibet in consequence of the Tibetan resentment of Great Britain's attitude concerning Sino-Tibetan relations. Fifteen young Tibetans are going to Russia shortly to study there in various schools.

ALLAN WILKIE DRAMATIC COMPANY.

"Lady Windermere's Fan."

This well-known play by Oscar Wilde was produced by Mr. Wilkie's Company at the Theatre Royal last night. This was the first presentation of the play which the Company had given anywhere, and that caused the undoubted success they achieved to be all the more notable. Like most of Wilkie's plays, "Lady Windermere's Fan" deals with a very "advanced" section of modern British society, who seem, according to the playwright, to be ever involved in some more or less painful perplexity. The story has little to do with the fan referred to, but very much to do with the feelings and conduct of Lady Windermere and her mother, the latter apparently having cast off her maternal responsibilities at a comparatively early period—(of course, for very sufficient reasons) and who is anxious to conceal her identity from all save Lord Windermere, who, we learn, she is able to blackmail in a rather easy manner. Of course, the surreptitious meetings of the lady and her son-in-law give rise to all sorts of scandals, all the more readily as Mrs. Erynn, which is the name the lady chooses to assume, has a rather unsavoury reputation. Lady Windermere, of course, is considerably troubled about the scandals, and gives the dramatist quite a good opportunity for a sensational incident. Briefly, the play is a serious of brilliant conversations—so brilliant, in fact, that it seems quite a mistake to give the utterance of them to such ordinary individuals as my Lord this or my Lady something else. Miss Vera Orleton played the part of Lady Windermere with much ability and with a little more familiarity with it should cause it to be another of her many successes. Miss Hunter-Watts had a part that suited her in Mrs. Erynn, and she certainly was black enough in it. Her performance was indeed eminently satisfactory. A first rate scandalmonger and chatterbox was Miss Nora Craigie as the Duchess of Berwick and the part of Lady Plyndale was ably performed by Miss G. Littlewood. Miss K. Clancy's fine talents were not much required in the small part of Lady Agatha Carlisle. The gentlemen of the cast had comparatively little to do that called for anything approaching talent. Mr. Dawson, as a blase, old rove of a Lord had the most difficult part, and he performed it exceedingly well. All the others had little to do except talk and look well, and they did so with very much effect, particularly Messrs. Pittar and Wok, in the respective parts of Lord Darlington and Mr. Dumby.

The play was effectively staged and I congratulate the Company on their excellent appearance in this latest and valuable addition to their repertoire.

In response to loud applause and calls for a speech the curtain went down at the end, Mr. Wilkie stated that he hoped to return to Hongkong with many of his present Company before the close of the year.

ROSCIEUS.

A YAGRANT.

A man named Alexander Kellermann, who arrived on the s.s. Almenham, was charged before Mr. Melbourne at the Police Court to-day with being a yagrant.

The defendant stated that he was arrested in Newcastle, Australia, after he had travelled 600 miles on foot, and by railway and steamer from Brisbane. He applied for a hawker's licence when he arrived at Newcastle. When the authorities discovered that he could not write English, he was charged as being an undesirable immigrant and sent to prison for three months. When liberated he was deported from Sydney to Hongkong. He was treated as a prisoner until his arrival in this Colony.

The defendant was sent to the House of Detention.

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An extraordinary general meeting of the Green Island Cement Company, Limited, was held this morning at the offices of the general managers, Messrs. Shaw, Tomes and Co., for the purpose of submitting for confirmation resolutions passed at the extraordinary general meeting of the company held on January 25 this year. Mr. C. A. Tomes presided and there were also present Dr. J. W. Noble, Hon. Mr. C. H. Ross and Sir Paul Chater, members of the consulting committee; Messrs. C. D. Wilkin, H. R. B. Hancock, Ng Hon Tat, A. W. Smith, C. Kinnick, Capt. Banje, J. A. Young and A. L. Shields, secretary.

The Chairman said the resolutions were proposed, seconded, and unanimously carried at the previous meeting and it only remained for this meeting to confirm them. The two resolutions were submitted and unanimously confirmed.

AN OPIUM DEN.

At the Magistrate's this morning before Mr. Hingland, Inspector Dymond charged twenty-six men with using No. 19, Sai Yuen Lane, as an opium den.

Serpt. Adlington said, when he went to the house he found the place in great disorder, as the defendants were attempting to escape in all directions. The first defendant was pointed out as the keeper of the den.

Inspector Dymond said he executed a gambling warrant the previous day at the same house, and saw the opium smoking going on. It was a very rough house. It was a den and a harbour of refuge for thieves. Several of the defendants had previous convictions.

The first defendant was fined \$250 on two months, and the remainder were fined \$1 or two days' imprisonment.

In reply to the Magistrate, Inspector Dymond said that the keepers of these dens were usually paid by some one else to do the work, and when caught they were willing to go to prison for a consideration.

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Steamers	Leave	Connecting Steamers	Due	Due
to	Hongkong	from Colombo to	Marseilles	Pittmouth
Colombo		Marseilles and	(Brindisi)	(London)
			(days earlier)	(1 day later)
STAMET	Tues. 15	Steamer	Tues. 15	Friday
DELTA	Mar. 1	MOREA	Mar. 15	Mar. 31
DELTA	Mar. 1	MARMORA	Mar. 29	Apr. 1
DELTA	Mar. 15	MEDIN	Apr. 12	Apr. 18
DELTA	Mar. 29	Through Steamer	Apr. 26	May 2
DELTA	Apr. 12	MONGOLIA	May 10	May 16
DELTA	Apr. 26	SLACEDONIA	May 24	May 30
DELTA	May 10	MALWA	June 7	June 13
DELTA	May 24	MOULTAN	June 25	June 29
DELTA	June 7	MOREA	July 6	July 12

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to	Hongkong	Marseilles	London
SARDINIA	Tonday	about	about
SARDINIA	February 19	March 23	April 2
SARDINIA	March 5	April 6	April 16
SARDINIA	March 19	April 20	April 30
SARDINIA	April 2	May 4	May 14
SARDINIA	April 16	May 18	May 28
SARDINIA	April 30	June 3	June 13
SARDINIA	May 14	June 17	June 27

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Outward	Homeward
For Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama	For Havre, Rotterdam, Bremen
S.S. SUEVIA, 12th Feb.	S.S. BRISGAVIA, 8th March
S.S. O.J.D. AHLERS, 15th Feb.	For New York
S.S. SILESIA, 16th Feb.	S.S. AMERICA, 12th March
S.S. SCHWARZBURG, 28th Feb.	For Marseilles, Bremen & Hamburg
S.S. SPEZIA, 5th Mar.	S.S. BELGRAVIA, 15th March
S.S. SCANDIA, 10th Mar.	For Havre, Bremen & Hamburg
S.S. SITHONIA, 22nd Mar.	S.S. O.J.D. AHLERS, 18th March
S.S. LIBERIA, 28th April	For Havre & Hamburg
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S.S. INDRADHO, On or about 26th February, 1913.

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Hongkong, January 28, 1913.

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REGULAR SERVICE FROM HONGKONG TO
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Carrying Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Overland Common Points.

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CARGO carried on through Bills of Lading from HONGKONG to BEIRA,

DELAGOA BAY, DURBAN (NATAL), EAST LONDON, PORT ELIZABETH

and CAPE TOWN with transshipment at COLOMBO to steamers of the Indian

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PROPOSED SAILINGS.

FROM HONGKONG. FROM COLOMBO.

15th Feb. Connecting with S.S. Tumeric 2nd March.

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NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN

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FOR STRAITS TO SAIL.

NAPLES, GENOA, ALGERS, BREMEN, (WEDNESDAY,

GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMP, Capt. B. Wilhelm. 19th Feb.,

TON, ANTWERP & BREMEN, (20,800) at 10 a.m.

SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH, About

Kobe & Yokohama, Capt. O. Mundt. THURSDAY,

(18,000) 20th Feb.

MANILA, YAP, MARONN, PRINZ SIGISMUND, SATURDAY,

NEWGUINEA, BRISBANE, Capt. D. Leuz. 22nd Feb.,

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE, (6,000) at 9 a.m.

Kobe & Yokohama, Capt. H. Bremer, (6,100) About

KUDAT and SANDAKAN, BORNEO, Capt. F. Sembill. TUESDAY,

End of Feb.

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Steamship, Tons, Captain, For, Sailing Date.

RUBI, 4,000, J. Miller, Manila, Mangarin, SATURDAY,

KAFIRO, 4,000, F. S. McMurray, Manila, Mangarin, Feb. 15, at 4 p.m.

Manila, Mangarin, 21st March, at 4 p.m.

Doffe & Co., Feb. 26, at 4 p.m.

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Accelerated Train Service from Trieste to Paris, London and Berlin.

S.S. BOHEMIA, 7900 tons, will leave as above on 13th February, at 5 p.m.

S.S. AFRICA, 8840 tons, will leave as above on 13th March, at 5 p.m.

Cheap rates Hongkong—Shanghai £2 1st class, £3 2nd class & £19 3rd class.

Superior accommodation for 1st and 2nd Class and Cabin passengers. No surtax

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S.S. BOHEMIA, 7900 tons, will leave as above on 29th January, at Daylight.

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Cheap rates Hongkong—Shanghai £2 1st class, £4 2nd class and £19 3rd class.

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S.S. VOIRWARTS, 1800 tons, will leave for TRIESTE, Fiume and VENICE

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SUEZ, PORT SAID, about 10th February.

S.S. E. F. FERDINAND, 12000 tons, will leave as above about 3rd March.

TO KOBE,

S.S. E. F. FERDINAND, 12000 tons, will leave as above and to Yokohama

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S.S. AUSTRIA, 14000 tons, will leave as above about 2nd March.

Superior accommodation for Saloon Class Passengers.

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CAPTAIN

HAIYANG, Capt. A. E. Hodgins, FRIDAY, 14th Feb., at 10 a.m.

HAIYANG, Capt. J. S. Roach, FRIDAY, 21st Feb., at 10 a.m.

FOR SWATOW AND RETURN.

(Occupying 3 Days)

RAIMON, Capt. J. W. Evans, THURSDAY, 13th Feb., at 10 a.m.

Steamers will arrive at, and depart from the Company's Wharf

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TO AUSTRALIA, via MANILA.

MAIL SCHEDULE

(SUBJECT TO MODIFICATION)

STEAMERS

ARRIVE HONGKONG

FROM AUSTRALIA.

LEAVE HONGKONG

FOR AUSTRALIA.

EMPIRE, Feb. 13, March 1st.

ST. ALBANS, March 7, March 29th.

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Hongkong, November 2, 1908.

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The Steamers of the RUSSIAN VOLUNTEER FLEET calling at Hongkong once

a month both ways, Homeward and Outward, will accept cargo and passengers for the

ports they have to call at on the way, according to the schedule, as—

HOMeward BOUND steamers for Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Djibouti,

Hodeidah, Jeddah, Suez, Port Said, Constantinople, Batoum, Odessa.

OUTWARD BOUND steamers for Nagasaki and Vladivostok.

The Hongkong Agency of the R. V. F. will also accept cargo and issue through

Bills of Lading for all Black and Azov Sea Ports with transshipment at Odessa, and for

Hakodate and all ports of Tartarian Strait and Kamchatka, with transshipment at

Vladivostok.

Cargo for all European Ports not mentioned in the steamers schedule will not be

accepted by this Agency.

NEXT SAILINGS—

The S.S. KOSTROMA, 3605 R.T., Commander Peirce Tokareff, Outward

bound, is expected to arrive in Hongkong about 9th February, 1913.

The S.S. YAROSLAV, 4404 R.T., Commander L. Alasoff, Outward bound,

is expected to arrive in Hongkong about the 11th February, 1913.

The S.S. VORONEZ, 2616 R.T., Commander Oranovsky, Homeward bound,

is expected to arrive in Hongkong about the 1st March, 1913.

For Freight, Pass., and further particulars, apply to

Capt. D. A. LUKHMANOFF,

AGENT,

HONG KONG, Nov. 1st and 1st, Third Floor.

TELEPHONE 1294

Hongkong, October 28, 1912.

Notices to Consignees

LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE STEAMSHIP ATHOLL.

FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL & STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby

informed that all Goods are hereby

being landed at their risk at Hongkong,

whence and/or from the wharves delivery

may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the

Goods have left the Godowns, and all

Goods remaining undelivered after the 15th

inst. will be subject to sale.

All claims against the steamer must be

presented to the Underwriter on or before

the 8th prox., or they will not be re-

cognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods

must be left in the Godowns where they

will be examined on the 10th inst., at

11 a.m.

